ver obtain a divorce.

He married the women during a period of seven years, lived with only one of them for more than three or four months

and has never been arrested for bigamy All but two of the wives bore him children,

and three of them presented him with twins.

He has seen most of his children, but at

present knows where few of them are

MANAGES TO REMEMBER

Ten years ago, in glancing through Black wood's Magazine, the writer of this critique came upon a poem called "The Last Suitee " The rhythm was odd, but music.d; the story only jest missed melo drama, and the deft bandling of Oriental marries and customs showed that the poet knew his subject. A month or two later little paragraphs began to appear in the papers about a new writer called Rudyard Kipling, and "The Courting of Dinah Shadd and "Plain Tales from the Hills begin to be seen lying around on news Mantics.

The new hom of the literary world challenged an opinion of some kind, either for or against. It was impossible to judge him moderately. To many people his stories and designatul glimper : an unknown world:

to others his style was almost repulsive and some of his subjects quite so. His is a personality in-tense, virile, forceful; determined apparentbte experience into one life and one man's No sooner was be fairly known as of short stones than he wrote his first novel, "The Light That Failed:

veted movelist than he wrote the Jungle Books, which have not yet been classified anywhere; and now he out as a poet in "The Seven Seas. What he will do next it is impossible to predict, but it is sure to be something interesting.

The people who rend Kipling do so because they like him; they will not be laughed out of their liking. They say that your Brownings and your James are all very well, but they like this man. He seems to inspire in his readers something of the loyally that his characters often have for each thor whose popularity was so little doe. to fastion. Kipling societies and readings have never been a fad. Nobody has undertaken to study him or to discover his pur pose in life. Possibly, he has not been re garded as having one

In the preface to the "Outward Bound" edition of his brooks, he says that his de-sire is "to sook out men who are wearied at the end of the day," and entice them. into fresh fields of imagination. In the in America Times have changed. The "Envol." tooked away at the end of the most important resultant of this significollection of stories "Life's Handicap," he

The bitter paths wherein I stray, Thou knowest, Who has made the fire. Thou knowest, Who hast made the clay.

Who, lest all thought of Eden fade, Bring'st Eden to the craftsman's brain, Godine to noise o'er his own trade And thanke stand with God again. Take not that vision from nov ken. whatsoe'er may spoil or speed.

That I may belp such men as need!" Surely there is a high purpose and deep | in 1771 appeared in three small volumes feeling, and if those who have judged Kip- and grew during nine editions, which had ling from some stray sketch of the Anglo-Indian lady flirt or from the rough meta-phors of some sea song, do not see where discernment linked to American taste the Eden-like quality of his name comes in. rectified this and has produced the perhaps that doesn't matter. He is not produced smoothing the produced the produced the produced that are the produced much pastibility, and with such a devotion Appencan edition of the Encyclopaedia to his ari he may get do something which Britannica Having completed this pro-

will satisfy them. If not, perhaps that cess of naturalization the editors are now adding an American supplement in The things which have been most quoted. five volumes, of which the first is already

parties in America were assigned to Prof. J. B. McMaster, author of "The History of the People of the United States." The article on coast defenses of the United States was written by Gen. Miles. The navy was assigned to the claim engineer and constructor, Capt. G. W. Melville. Arctic exploration was dealt with by Gen. Greely. John Sherman dealt with the debt of the United States, its coin and coinage, and the finances. Cardinal Gibbons presented the story of the Catholic Church. "Congress" came from the pen of Speaker Thomas B. Reed. Commissioner Wright dealt in a scholarly, statistical and practical manner with benefit societies, building and loar essociations, labor organizations and kinvice Prof. Mark W. Harrington took the suplicity of obviou are in the verse that subject of meteorology. Nor were America's national sports neglected A. G. Spald Life had the tree at tuat word (praise we ing, the father of American baseball, dealt with the subject, which to him was an open like left he the bank for the full book. Walter Camp wrote of American footbull; B. A. Macdonald, of American river; Far fell their axes behind, flashing and billiards, and the editor of the American Wonder was on me and fear, yet she was singing." Horseman detailed the annuls of the Amer-Jenn horse. Two or three other new metres are to

Books and

Bookmen

be found in this book. Kipling's method

some march heard on the parade ground

worked with him in India, is authority for the statement that the music to which

"Mancinlay" and one or two others were written was more original and melo-

Kipling's American notes, written in a

not intended for publication in this country ande a tempest in a teapot when they ap-

peared. He told the truth about our

nults too thuntly America doesn't like

a be told that she is not the most highly

when an Englishman says it. But five

ears after his remarks on the unprotected

offdition of our coast were published,

almost the same conclusions were labor

usly arrived at by the American press. So far, at least, his observation was true and wise.

After living six months or so in this

entry he wrote "The Walking I elegate."

which is one of the best of his animal

sketches. It tells of a company of horses,

inaliciable rights of their unfettered horse hood; of the fact that all horses are created

free and equal, and wishes them to back

him up in a personal assault on man, th

oppressor, who comes out to spend his

eisure, gloating over them. At this point,

owever, the scalot roadster, a Hamble

tonian beast of good points and grim aspect

"There's just two kinds of horse in the United States, them as will do their work

after being properly broke and handled and them as won't. We know all about

horses here, sonny, and he ain't any high sed, pure souled child of nature. Horse,

plain horse, same er you, is so chock full

hat he's took over from his sire and dan

and thickened up with his own special faculty in the way o' goin' crooked

That's horse, and that's about his dig-nity and the size of his soul afore he's

"Next morning we sent back to the

"Who reads an American book"" asced

a century ago. Now a book that is educa

tional, instructive, or merely amusing obtains at least two-thirds of its readers

cant change has been the American re-fusalty-accept the Encyclopaedia Britannica

in its insular British form. It was im

practical to look for accuracy on American

subjects in a Work which devoted to the buttle of Banker Hill ten lines, describing it as a "British victory," and onatted en

tirely eminent personages, whose pro

scribing fault was that they were still living. But though American taste was

criminating, it was not prejudiced, as it

recognized the greatness of this work, which

been published up to 1890, to twenty-

stables what was left of the vellow horse

broke and rawhided a piece"

The story concludes denurely:

It seemed tired, but anxious to go."

felivers himself of this speech.

paetly grazing on a Vermont farm, and othem comes a yellow horse from Kansas, with new aftens. He tells them about the

untry on earth, and it is all the worse

int-private way to an Indian paper, for

were afterward set.

In all, three millions of dollars were spent in editing alone. Add to this the cost of ssuing hundreds of thousands of sets of thirty volumes each, of advertising them, of freighting them, and the other accumulative influtioe, and the vast enterprises in volved becomes approximately apparent.

Novel readers are familiar with the name of Amelia E. Barr, who has written many good things besides her famous "A Bow of Orange Ribbon," and besides her recent story in The Times. She has a record which makes less energetic women stand assite in awe. She has been the mother of dious than that to which the songs fourteen children, has written thirty-two novels, has prepared a professor for Prince ton College, and at sixty years of age is fresh and bright. She still devotes nine the rending of his friends in India, and | hours daily to her work, in spite of her age.

Mrs. Borr attibutes her vitality and good spirits to ber determination to be a philos opher and to her system of work. She resides at a very pretty place called Cherry country life she fin is best suited to her tem perament. When she has, a book on hone she devotes all her time to it, and she never writes at night; the early morning boars find her up and at work. At noon she lays down her pen, for her work gives her a healthy appetite. Her daugmer has taken household cures off her mother's bands, and the story is told of the visit of a well-known dramatist to Mrs. Barr's home. He was worried over a certain story of hershe patting into stage form, and in the midst of a serious discussion the door opened, th head of Mrs. Barr's daughter was intruded, and a veice asked;
"What do you use-vanilla or ienso

extract in that pudding?" And Mrs. Barr answered gently, "It is vanilla, my dear," and then soothed the straged dramatist by telling lim the proper construction of a dessert was quite important as deciding the next movement of a conracter. Mrs. Barr was a be never fulfed to win a woman when he us cook in her day.

After diving at noon Mrs. Barr sleeps two hours, takes a cold plunge the second of the day and then she carefully typewrites her morning's work. She never allows any one to handle her manuscripts. Late in the afternoon comes tea, callers, and pleasure, but no matter what is going on, of tricks and meannesses and cussednesses Mrs. Barr is off to bed at 9 o'clock. This routine is carefully followed all the while a book is being written and after the



Amelia E. Barr

book is out of the way the author gives herself up to pleasure. Her summers are the marraige. We traveled together about usually spent in England and she is very three weeks, then I left her. No 9. Mattie proud of her English descent. She married | Williamson, married at Gold a Scotch Presbyterian and they spent | Bonde. Lived with her two a Scotch Presbyterian and they speak happy years in a Texas town. There her children were born and yellow fever carty. Tex. We lived together about two months. No. 11. Ella Bowles, married at Texas. Small blonde. Lived to-With her flock of daughters she came North to make her way. Her first commission gether three months. No. 12. Alice Bolen was to prepare two boys for college and | married at Beeville. Brunette. Lived with it is one of these boys who today holds a distinguished professorship at Princeton

A little volume of poetry by Edwin Arlington Robinson, of Gardiner, Maine, staggers under the title, "The Torrent and Night Before," but rejoices in this unique dedication, "To any man, woman or critic who will cut the edges of it-I have done the top " To any "man, woman or critic" is careful and praiseworthy dis-

Victor Hugo's daughter, Jean Hugo, is to marry again. She was divorced from Leon, son of Alphonse Daudet, and her next hosband is the son of the late eminent br Charcot. So she will continue to wear an illustrious name,

Last week's Critic has a brief, but in-telligent, article, on our "National Li-brary". The babit of calling the Congressional Library "The National Library" is growing so naturally and steadily that there seems well-grounded reason to believe that the legislators will make legal the broader and more national title.

Some books are so agreeably surprising that they bring regrets and resolution That is the way a little book from Mc-Clurg affected me. It is a diminutive volume of three poems, of which the first "A Christmas Masque of St. Roch" gives its name to the trinity. When I had fin ished I looked back to the cover to see to whom I was indebted for the pleasure received, and found the name "M. E. M. Davis." Have you ever heard of him, or her? I had not. He, or she, is not in the encyclopaedia, but on the title page she, or he, is credited with having written "Under the Man-Fig." "In War Times," "At La Rose Bianche." "Minding the Gap." Have you ever before heard of any of them. I have not. Perhaps this is a confession of unpardonable ignorance; but at least, it is bonest. My regret was never to have heard of them, and my resolution was to look them up; for certainly the other writings of an author who has written so beautifully in "The Christmas Masque of St. Roch' cannot be entirely

pied by the daughter of the late philos pher. The house is a large, square, two story frame dwelling, with small colonial porticees. It sits in an extensive shaded ALL HIS SIXTEEN WIVES

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from Kipling are his special mannerlsms, "That is another story," and one or two poems of daring originality. From "The savage superstition, and an almost barbario | tory, principles and policy of the political

published and stands on its own merits a worthy companion to its predecessors. Comparatively few people know by whom or how encyclopaedias are made. There Seven Seas," which hears out the promise have been but three imortant ones Chamber of the "Barrack-Room Ballads," "The bers', the American and the Britannica. Last Chantey" has gone the rounds of the papers, but "The First Chantey," which describes the beginning of sea-craft, is quite as remarkable. Two lovers of the preservative process is effected, but only after the editorial work has leap to a floating log, calling on the god been perfected. It is only in this that of the wind for aid, while the woman's the godus and enterprise of the publishers mantle is spread for a sail. The metre is, is exhitted. Every subject is placed for like that of "The Last Chantey," absotutely original. Savage love and daring; Thus in making the ninth edition the his

without merit.

The Critic is offering a prize to the per son who sends them a list of the best twelve short stories by American authors which the editors will approve as correct. Though Kipling was born abroad and moved to America, he is barred, and Mrs. Burnett is excluded because, though Americanborn, she now has English residence. Presumably on the same ground Bret Harte, John Oliver Hobbs and other Anglo Americans are ineligible to the list. Emerson's home at Concord is now occur

Thomas Rowe ike for a "Indy killer." He is not handme, and is uncultured, yet he says that made the attempt. Here is his story:
"I was torn in Green county, Miss. I and a wild, roving disposition, and traveled over the Southern States. The begin ning of my careet as a nearried man was at Furceil, I. T., in 1/89, when I was married to Miss Mary M. Starritt. I was then serving as deputy United States marshal under J. J. Beckerson. My first wife was "Atout six months later, a short time after Heft my first wife, I met Miss Mary Brummet at Misco, I. T. We were were married and lived together about two months. She was a full brunette. I cannot assign a reason for leaving any of my wives except that I fired of them. The maiden name of No. 3 was Jennie Wilson, whom I married in Shackelford ounty, Tex. She was a brunette. I lived with her most of the fime for right months Here's a catalogue of my other wives "No. 4. Annie Roufsenu, married at Brown wood. Tex.; blonde, weight 95

ounds; fived with her one month. No. 5. Lizzie Long. married at Galveston; brunette, of medium height. No. 6, Ada Knight, matried at Georgetown, Tex.; tall, slender, dark complexion; she was a society weman at home: No. 7. Amy Clark, married at Longview, Tex. A brunette, Lived with her three months. No 8. Alice Henry, married at Henricita. Tex. Brunette. I had to clope with her, as her parents objected to Williamson, married at Goldthwalte, Tex

No. 13. Dalsy Smith. Married at Baird Tex. Blonde. Lived with her less than month. No. 14. Annie Bealf, married at Texarkana, Tex. Brunette. Livedtogether about three months. No. 15. Ella Ben nett, Blum, Tex Tall and slender, with dark curly hair. I lived with her nearly

two years, and really love her more than any woman I ever met. I want to go back to her as soon as I get out of the peniten We have one child, David Rowe nged eighteen months. No. 16. Ola Maze married in Grayson county. Large bru nette, weighing 155 pounds. Lived with

Sheriff Hughes, who has made inquiries oncerning Rowe's story, says he has no reason to doubt it.

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